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Dr. Todd received his undergraduate degree from the University of Texas at Austin in 1978 and received his MD from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas in 1983. He is boarded in both Internal Medicine and Emergency Medicine, having completed residency training in Internal Medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio and in Emergency Medicine at the University of California at Los Angeles. He received his MPH in Epidemiology from the UCLA School of Public Health in 1993. He joined the faculties of the Emory University School of Medicine and the Rollins School of Public Health of Emory University in 1993, achieving tenure in 1996. He served as founding Vice Chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine and the founding Director of the Emergency Medicine Research Center, both established in 1999. He has held past positions as Medical Director of the Emergency Care Center at Grady Memorial Hospital, Medical Officer with the CDC's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, and Medical Fellow of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. He serves on the editorial board for the *Annals of Emergency Medicine*.

Dr. Todd's research interests include pain management, health disparities, injury control, and health services research. He has conducted seminal studies of ethnic disparities in analgesic use in the emergency department setting and is a founding member of the American Pain Society's Special Interest Group on Health Disparities. His publications have appeared in the New England Journal of Medicine, JAMA, Annals of Emergency Medicine, and numerous other scientific journals. He has received grants and contracts from public and private sources, including the National Institutes of Health, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration, the Centers for Disease Prevention and Control, the Electric Power Research Institute, and the State of Georgia.

Recently, Dr. Todd served as principal investigator and project director for the Pain and Emergency Medicine Initiative for the American College of Emergency Physicians. Supported by the Mayday Fund, this multidisciplinary initiative is an effort to promote improvements in the quality of emergency department pain management. Short-term goals of this effort are to conduct and publicize a series of studies in the United States and Canada to raise awareness of the current state of emergency department pain management and to foster a new cadre of emergency nurses and physicians who will become advocates for excellence in emergency department pain management. In 2005, Dr. Todd joined the faculty of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Beth Israel Medical Center in New York, where he directs the newly established Pain and Emergency Medicine Institute.